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Assignee Name and Address: **JRF ENTERPRISES, LLC**  
2318 Jada Drive  
Henderson, NV 89044

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The individual whose signature and title is supplied below is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee

Company Name	COMPANY_NAME <b>JRF ENTERPRISES, LLC</b>		
Name	<b>James J. Pass</b>		
Signature	Date	<b>MAR 09 2006</b>	
Title	Telephone	<b>702-686-9803</b>	

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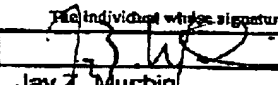
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4019 Goodwin Road  
Manitowoc, WI 54220**

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SIGNATURE OF Assignee of Record

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Signature: 	Date: <b>1-24-06</b>
Name: <b>Jay Z. Muchin</b>	Telephone: <b>(920) 684-9310</b>
Title: <b>Chairman</b>	

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Applicant: Ross et al.

Title: POWERED APPLIANCE AND  
ACCESSORY

Appl. No.: 10/645,421

Filing Date: 08/21/2003

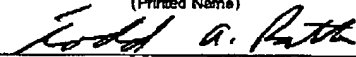
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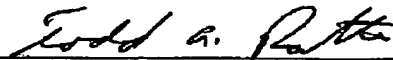
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Date

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**STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)**

Applicant/Patent Owner: M Group, Inc.; JRF Enterprises LLC

Application No.: 10/645,421 Filed: 08/21/2003

Patent No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Issue Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Docket Number: 082454-0102

Entitled: POWERED APPLIANCE AND ACCESSORY

M Group, Inc.; JRF Enterprises LLC

(Name of Assignee) (Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

states that it is:

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2. ☐ an assignee of less than the entire right, title, and interest  
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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

Todd A. Rathe  
Signature

April 21, 2006  
Date

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**ASSIGNMENT AND AGREEMENT**

**WHEREAS**, James J. Ross of 1995 Tyler Lane, DePere, Wisconsin 54115; Robert L. Fuller of 4417 Just Court, Manitowoc, Wisconsin 54220; David J. Merten of 4019 Goodwin Road, Manitowoc, Wisconsin 54220 and Jay Z. Muchin of 712 North 11th Street, Manitowoc, Wisconsin 54220; (hereinafter referred to singly and collectively as "ASSIGNOR") have invented a certain invention entitled **POWERED APPLIANCE AND ACCESSORY** (Atty. Dkt. No. 082454-0102) for which an application for United States Letters Patent was executed by ASSIGNOR concurrently herewith; and

**WHEREAS**, M Group, Inc., a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Wisconsin, and having its principal place of business at 4019 Goodwin Road, Manitowoc, Wisconsin 54220, and JRF Enterprises, LLC, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Wisconsin, and having its principal place of business at 4417 Just Court, Manitowoc, Wisconsin 54220 (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE") are desirous of acquiring the entire interest therein;

**NOW THEREFORE**, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR has sold, assigned, and transferred, and by these presents hereby sells, assigns, and transfers, unto ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, the full and exclusive right, title, and interest in and to (a) the above-identified invention or inventions and all improvements and modifications thereof, (b) the above-identified application and all other applications for Letters Patent of the United States and countries foreign thereto for the above-identified invention or inventions and all improvements and modifications thereof, (c) all Letters Patent which may issue from said applications in the United States and countries foreign thereto, (d) all divisions, continuations, reissues, and extensions of said applications and Letters Patent, and (e) the right to claim for any of said applications the full benefits and priority rights under the International Convention and any other international agreement to which the United States adheres; such right, title, and interest to be held and enjoyed by ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, to the full end of the term or terms for which any and all such Letters Patent may be granted as fully and entirely as would have been held and enjoyed by ASSIGNOR had this Assignment not been made.

**ASSIGNOR HEREBY AUTHORIZES AND REQUESTS** the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent to ASSIGNEE as assignee of the entire interest, for the sole use and benefit of ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns.

**ASSIGNOR HEREBY AGREES** (a) to communicate to ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, or their representatives or agents, all facts and information known or available to ASSIGNOR respecting said invention or inventions, improvements, and modifications including evidence for interference, reexamination, reissue, opposition, revocation, extension, or infringement purposes or other legal, judicial, or administrative proceedings, whenever requested by ASSIGNEE; (b) to testify in person or by affidavit as required by ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, in any such proceeding in the United States or a country foreign thereto; (c) to execute and deliver, upon request by ASSIGNEE, all lawful papers including, but not limited to, original, divisional, continuation, and reissue applications, renewals, assignments, powers of attorney, oaths, affidavits, declarations, depositions; and (d) to provide all reasonable assistance to ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, in obtaining and enforcing proper title in and protection for said invention or

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inventions, improvements, and modifications under the intellectual property laws of the United States and countries foreign thereto.

ASSIGNOR HEREBY REPRESENTS AND WARRANTS that ASSIGNOR has the full and unencumbered right to sell, assign, and transfer the interests sold, assigned, and transferred herein, and that ASSIGNOR has not executed and will not execute any document or instrument in conflict herewith.

ASSIGNOR HEREBY GRANTS to the law firm of **Foley & Lardner** the power and authority to insert in this Assignment any further identification which may be necessary or desirable to comply with the rules of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office for recordation of this Assignment.

ASSIGNOR UNDERSTANDS AND AGREES that the attorneys and agents of the law firm of **Foley & Lardner** do not personally represent ASSIGNOR or ASSIGNOR's legal interests, but instead represent the interests of ASSIGNEE; since said attorneys and agents cannot provide legal advice to ASSIGNOR with respect to this Assignment, ASSIGNOR acknowledges its right to seek its own independent legal counsel.

Executed this 18 day of SEPT, 2008

State of Wisconsin )  
County of Marquette )ss.

  
JAMES J. ROSS

On this 18 day of Sept, 2008, before me, a notary public in and for said county, appeared JAMES J. ROSS, who is personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and he/she acknowledged that he/she signed, sealed, and delivered the said instrument as his/her free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

(Seal)



  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 11/19/09

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Executed this 18 day of Sept, 2003.

Robert L. Fuller  
ROBERT L. FULLER

State of Wisconsin )  
County of Manitowish )ss.

On this 18 day of Sept, 2003, before me, a notary public in and for said county, appeared ROBERT L. FULLER, who is personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and he/she acknowledged that he/she signed, sealed, and delivered the said instrument as his/her free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein set forth.



(Seal)

Belinda Wiegand  
Notary Public  
My Commission Expires: 11/19/06

Executed this 16<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2003.

David J. Merten  
DAVID J. MERTEN

State of WISCONSIN )  
County of MANITOWISH )ss.

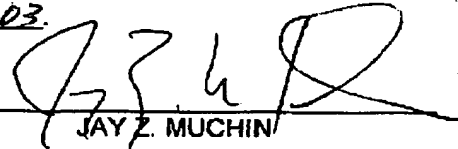
On this 16 day of September, 2003, before me, a notary public in and for said county, appeared DAVID J. MERTEN, who is personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and he/she acknowledged that he/she signed, sealed, and delivered the said instrument as his/her free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Belinda Wiegand  
Notary Public  
My Commission Expires: is permanent

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Executed this 16<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2003.

  
JAY Z. MUCHIN

State of WISCONSIN

County of MANITOWOC

ss.

On this 16<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2003, before me, a notary public in and for said county, appeared JAY Z. MUCHIN, who is personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and he/she acknowledged that he/she signed, sealed, and delivered the said instrument as his/her free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

  
Notary Public

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